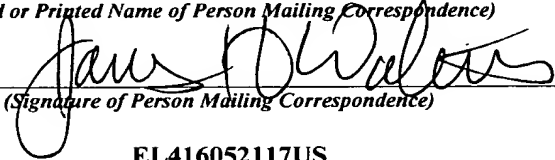


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1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
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4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2))
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6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).
8. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
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10. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
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